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FOR SIMONS FROM ANDREWS

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1. CEAUSESCU VISIT. WE ARE AS EMBARRASSED AS YOU ABOUT THE DELAY IN FIXING A DATE AND HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR A DECISION. THE LATEST SIGNAL FROM THE NSC IS THAT IT IS STILL VERY MUCH ON THE CALENDAR FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR, BUT A DECISION ON THE DATE IS STILL PENDING. IT HAS BEEN PROMISED (NOT FOR THE FIRST TIME) IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

2. BIRTHDAY MESSAGE. NO DOUBT A BIRTHDAY GREETING ON THE OCCASION OF CEAUSESCU'S 60TH WOULD BE VERY WELCOME IN BUCHAREST AND MIGHT LEND A DROP OF POSITIVE COLORING TO OUR RELATIONS. ON THE OTHER HAND, CARTER AND CEAUSESCU HAVE SO FAR NO PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP, A CIRCUMSTANCE WHICH MAKES A BIRTHDAY GREETING SEEM RATHER ARTIFICIAL, ESPECIALLY FOR A PREEID5NOFWPO STRIVES TO DISPENSE WITH THE MORE STILT5D
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ASPECTS OF PROTOCOL. IN TERMS OF PRECEDENT, WE NOTE THAT NO SEPARATE OR PUBLIC MESSAGE WAS SENT TO TITO ON HIS (MORE MOMENTOUS) 85TH BIRTHDAY LAST MAY, ALTHOUGH A BIRTHDAY GREETING WAS INCORPORATED INTO A SUBSTANTIVE COMMUNICATION SENT ABOUT THAT TIME. IN SHORT, WE FEEL THE NEED FOR MORE JUSTIFICATION BEFORE WE COULD RECOMMEND SUCH A STEP. YOU MIGHT WANT TO CHECK WHAT OTHER NATO COUNTRIES PLAN TO DO.

3. MILITARY EXCHANGE VISITS. YOU WILL HAVE RECEIVED IN
DAO CHANNEL A MESSAGE THAT GEN JONES IS WILLING TO RE-
CEIVE ZARNESCU JUST ABOUT ANY TIME. THIS WAS A PERSONAL
DECISION ON HIS PART; HIS STAFF HAD PREVIOUSLY POINTED
TO HIS PENDING DEPARTURE AND URGED AN AUTUMN VISIT. GEN
JONES APPARENTLY LIKES ROMANIANS. WE HAVE NO WORD YET ON
THE POSSIBLE TIMING OF AN ULMEANU VISIT TO THE US. DO YOU
HAVE ANY THOUGHTS ON WHETHER IT SHOULD BE LATER THAN JUNE
IF, FOR EXAMPLE, A ZARNESCU VISIT WERE POSSIBLE IN THE
NEXT FEW MONTHS? CHRISTOPHER

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